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Title: DUAL MODE CARPET CLEANING MACHINE, SOLUTION, SYSTEM AND METHODS OF USE

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In consideration of One Dollar and other good and valuable considerations, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the undersigned hereby assigns to Rug Doctor, L. P., a Delaware Limited Partnership, having a principal place of business at 4701 Old Shepard Place, Plano, Texas 75093, its successors and assigns (hereinafter Assignee"), the entire right, title and interest in the invention or improvements of the undersigned disclosed in the following applications and/or United States Letters Patent:

Application Serial No.: TBD

Titled: Dual Mode Carpet Cleaning Machine, Solution, System and Methods of Use

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The undersigned hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents to issue said Letters Patent to said Assignee.

The undersigned hereby authorizes and requests the attorneys of record in said application(s) to insert in this Assignment the serial number, filing date, and date of execution of said application(s).

For said considerations, the undersigned hereby agrees, upon the request and at the expense of said Assignee, to execute any divisional, continuation, continuation-in-part or substitute application for said invention or improvements, and any oath or affidavit relating thereto, and any application for the reissue or extension of any Letters Patent that may be granted upon said application(s), and, in the event of any application or Letters Patent assigned herein becoming involved in an interference, to cooperate to the best of the ability of the undersigned in the matters of preparing and executing the preliminary statement and giving and producing evidence in support thereof. The undersigned agrees to perform, upon request, any affirmative acts to obtain said Letters Patent of the United States and vest in said Assignee all rights therein, whereby said Letters Patent will be held and enjoyed by said Assignee, to the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent may be granted as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by the undersigned if this assignment has not been made.

And for said consideration, the undersigned hereby assigns to said Assignee the entire right, title and interest in said invention or improvements for all foreign countries, including all

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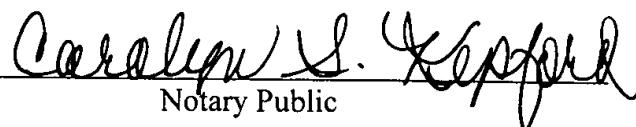

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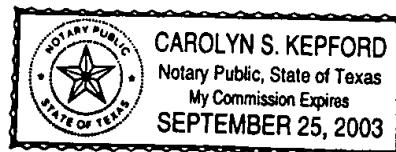
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Before me, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, appeared ROGER KENT to me personally known to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that he executed said instrument as his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein expressed.


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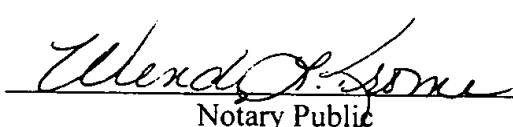

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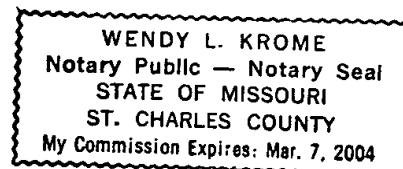
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STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)

Applicant/Patent Owner: Kent, et al.

Application No./Patent No: 09/898,584 Filed/Issue Date: 07/02/01

Entitled: Dual Mode Carpet Cleaning Machine, Solution, System and Methods of Use

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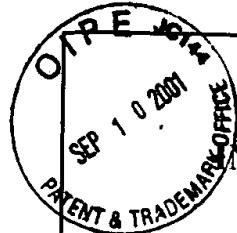
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